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Espanola Public Library Launches "Espanola Memories" Digital Archive



By Simone Bevilacqua - The Espanola Public Library is proud to announce the launch of Espanola Memories, a new digital archive providing online access to the library's local history and archival resources.

As part of the library's ongoing commitment to building community connections and providing programs and services that benefit the community, the library has developed Espanola Memories to preserve, share, and celebrate Espanola's history.

The digital archive features more than 340 items available at launch, including photographs, maps, plans, artwork, and objects from the library's collection. The digital collection will continue to grow as additional materials are digitized.

"Espanola Memories makes local history accessible to everyone," said Laura Luopa, CEO at the Espanola Public Library. "Espanola Memories gives our community an opportunity to discover, explore, and

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The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day at the Township of Baldwin, 11 Spooner Street, McKerrow, at 3:15 p.m.

Description of Lands:

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Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit of at least 20 per cent of the tender amount, which deposit shall be made by way of a certified cheque / bank draft / money order payable to the municipality.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to, crown interests, availability of road access, or any other matters relating to the land to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers. The assessed value, according to the last returned assessment roll, may or may not be representative of the current market value of the property.

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The municipality assumes no responsibility whatsoever for ensuring bidders/tenderers comply with the Act, and makes no representations regarding same. Prospective bidders/tenderers are solely responsible for ensuring compliance with the Act and are advised to seek legal advice before participating in this sale.

Transfers of properties that contain at least one and not more than six single family residences and are transferred to non-residents of Canada or foreign entities, are subject to the Province's Non-Resident Speculation Tax (NRST).

This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes and any taxes that may be applicable, such as a land transfer tax and HST.

Take Notice: Where a refund is claimed by a qualifying first-time Homebuyer under the Land Transfer Tax Act, the Municipality requires the purchaser to retain legal counsel to complete the transfer.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

A copy of the prescribed form of tender is available on the Government of Ontario Central Forms Repository website under the listing for the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender contact:

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connect with the people, places, and stories that have shaped our community. By making these materials accessible online, we can reach residents, researchers, families, and former community members wherever they are.”

In addition to the digital collections, Espanola Memories features two online exhibits exploring local history. Building the Past: Espanola’s Architecture and History | Construire le passé : l’architecture et l’histoire d’Espanola is a bilingual virtual walking tour highlighting significant buildings and stories throughout the community.

Espanola and Prisoner of War Camp 21 offers unprecedented online access to a 3D digitized rendering of the map created by a prisoner of war at the Espanola pulp and paper mill. Captured by researchers from Western University the map provides a

unique opportunity to explore an important artifact of Espanola’s history.

The library’s work to capture and preserve local history continues through an intergenerational community-history project, made possible by a successful Ontario Trillium Foundation Seed Grant. Community members of all ages are invited to share their memories and stories. To learn more about participating or supporting the project, contact the Espanola Public Library at 705-869-2940 or library@espanola.ca.

Together, Espanola Memories and the new community project represent an important step toward establishing an accessible local history archival collection and ensuring the stories of Espanola continue to be shared with future generations.

Espanola Memories is now available online at <https://esppubliclibrary.omeka.net/>

Step into the Wild P. Lynn Halliday

Disaster! Northern Ontario Adventure Series Camp Escapades – Story Two – Pride goes before a Splash!

Chapter Three

“Paddle hard, Chrissy,” I called, desperate not to end up in the marsh. Unfortunately, no matter how hard we tried we eventually ended up stuck in the marsh on the side of the lake, about halfway to the point. Chrissy threw down her paddle.

“I can’t go on,” she complained. “My arms are going to fall off.”

Pretending to be calm, I replied, “Yes, I’m a bit tired, too, let’s rest for a while then try again to reach the point. After all, we can’t just stay here, can we?”

“I could,” sulked Chrissy. “Would you call my mom to come get me, please?”

“Oh Chrissy,” I laughed. “Do you want me to connect the painter line to the nearest tree and pretend it’s a phone? Hello, Chrissy wanted me to call you and tell you that she’s too tired to paddle and you must rescue her, immediately. Thank you very much.”

Chrissy rolled her eyes at me and laughed. “Yes, if I thought it would work. Okay, that was a bit silly, but what can we do?”

I nervously looked around, but no one seemed to notice our predicament. Good, I thought. So, all I have to do is get us out of here and no one will be the wiser. Now, how am I going to get us out of this mess? We’re stuck in the reeds so it’s impossible to paddle. How else can we get out of here? Then an idea occurred to me. “Chrissy, why don’t we just push off the bottom with our paddles until we reach deep water and then head back to the dock?” I asked.

“Let’s do it,” she agreed. “It sounds easier than paddling.” So, Chrissy and I leaned over the side of the canoe and placed our paddles into the mud to push the canoe towards open water.

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Espanola Regional Hospital and Health Centre Launches Group-Based Knee Replacement Rehabilitation Program



By Katie Cooper - The Group-Based Knee Replacement Rehab Program outlines a rehabilitation program launched by the Espanola Regional Hospital and Health Centre (ERHHC) for patients recovering from total knee replacement surgery. The initiative is designed to maintain high-quality, evidence-based care while improving access to physiotherapy services throughout the community. As the demand for outpatient rehabilitation services continues to grow, ERHHC has implemented this innovative approach to increase physiotherapy capacity while ensuring post-operative joint replacement patients receive timely care. Through a structured four-to-six-week rehabilitation program, multiple patients participate in

treatment together, allowing the physiotherapy team to deliver the same high standard of care more efficiently. "This approach allows us to provide timely rehabilitation for post-operative patients while creating additional opportunities to see patients requiring non-urgent care, whose wait times can often be quite extensive," said J. Malette, Physiotherapist. "Not only do patients achieve excellent post-operative outcomes, but they also have the opportunity to complete their rehabilitation alongside others who have experienced the same procedure. By offering a therapeutic group-based approach, we are able to use our time and resources more effectively while continuing to work toward reducing wait times for physiotherapy services in

Espanola."

The program aligns with provincial best practice recommendations and reflects broader efforts across Ontario to enhance rehabilitation services as the number of joint replacement surgeries continues to increase. Evidence consistently demonstrates that group rehabilitation can deliver outcomes comparable to individual physiotherapy, including improvements in mobility, function, range of motion, and quality of life. Patients continue to receive individualized assessments throughout their recovery,

and those with more complex needs will continue to have access to one-on-one care when appropriate.

In addition to clinical benefits, the program has fostered valuable peer support among participants, helping to build confidence and encourage recovery.

"It's incredible to see someone come into their first class struggling with pain and feeling discouraged, only to have a patient who is five weeks into the program tell them, 'I was exactly where you are a few weeks ago,'" said L. Stephens, Physiotherapy Assistant. "That reassurance is powerful. Patients can see what progress looks like, and it helps build confidence in their own recovery journey."

The group-based rehabilitation program reflects ERHHC's ongoing commitment to implementing evidence-informed models of care that improve access to services while maintaining the high standard of patient care expected by the communities it serves.

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Caroline Ehrhardt Inducted Into Western University Hall Of Fame

By Rosalind Russell - A world-renowned athlete who originally hails from Espanola has been inducted into the Western University's Hall of Fame.

Former Espanola High School coach to Caroline Ehrhardt, Dave Gallant, says he was thrilled to be part of Ehrhardt's induction into the Western Mustangs Sports Hall of Fame last Friday.

He says in her first year of eligibility, Ehrhardt has been inducted as an athlete/builder for her coaching contributions and numerous award she received competing as a Western Mustang.

Gallant adds she is now the Head Coach of both the Women's and Men's Track and field team at the University.

He says some of her accomplishments include, from her years at Western 2010

– 2015, 11 Ontario University Athletics medals, seven golds, six Canadian InterUniversity Sport medals including four goals and establishing both Ontario University and Canadian InterUniversity triple jump records in her final year.

At 31 years and four months of age, Ehrhardt was also the oldest woman to have ever broken the 14 meter triple jump barrier for the first time when she established her (still-standing) Canadian Record.

Other Ehrhardt accomplishments including: five-time OUA All-Star; four-time First team All-Canadian Western's Purple Blanket; the FWP Jones Award recipient as Mustangs Graduating Athlete of the Year; the Howard G. Ferguson Award for her Academic and Community Service contributions; and the

Governor General CIS TOP 8 Academic All-Canadian - a prestigious national honour.

She began coaching at Western in 2021.

Named OUA and USPORTS (Canadian Universities) Assistant Coach of the Year in 2025, Head Coach of Western Track and Field last year and in her first year was named USPORTS Men's Coach of the Year - leading the Men's team to their third straight national championship.

Photo of Dave Gallant and Caroline Ehrhardt at her induction into the Western Mustangs Sports Hall of Fame. Provided by Dave Gallant



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Third Annual Harvest Day Attracts Hundreds



By Rosalind Russell - The Espanola Regional Recreation Complex and the adjacent track and field oval were abuzz with activity as part of the Third Annual Harvest Day hosted by Noojmowin Teg. Students from Espanola High



School and A. B. Ellis Public as well as the public took in a variety of displays showing traditional Indigenous arts, crafts and food production. Participants were able to learn hunting skills with hoops and cross bows, see how natural ingredients like blueberries and duck could be tasty and nutritious, as well as crafting tie-dye shirts, and more.

Photos by Rosalind Russell

Franco-Ontarians Celebrate In Espanola With Flag-Raising, Song And Storytelling



By Rosalind Russell - La Renaissance in Espanola joined their counterparts Friday, September 30th, celebrating their Francophonie heritage.

The school's students and staff attended a flag-raising at Espanola's municipal hall, which also included a cultural presentation by students, flag-raising and singing songs of

pride in their French heritage. Espanola CAO Joseph Burke was joined by staff and council in celebrating the gathering with the group.

Franco Ontarian Day 2026 is celebrated in Ontario, with community events and festivals with the celebration tied to September 25.

Photo by Rosalind Russell

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Jackie was a warm and loving soul who brought joy to everyone around her. She is now reunited with her beloved husband, James of 58 years; her dear sons, Derrick and Gary and many loved ones.

She is survived and dearly missed by her son, Craig, and his wife, Bonnie; her daughter-in-law, Nancy; her sister, Margaret (Bruce); and her sisters-in-law, Carol and Anna. She also leaves behind her six beloved grandchildren, Sara (Andrew), Rebecca (Jake), Tristan, Ashley, Heidi and Maxwell; three cherished great-grandchildren, Duncan, Darci and Lainey and many special nieces, nephews, extended family, and friends.

Her great sense of humor, kind, fun loving spirit and love for her family and friends will live on in the hearts of all who knew her.

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North Shore Quilting & Stitchery Guild - presents "Lunch Among the Quilts" Saturday, October 24th. 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., at the Espanola Legion. For Advance tickets: nancy.fitzjohn@gmail.com

Espanola Elks Elimination Draw, Dinner & Dance – October 24, 4:30 p.m. – 1:00 a.m. Perogies, baked beans, pulled pork, buns & dessert. For tickets please reach out to a local Elks member or message on Facebook.

Espanola & Area Lions / Espanola Elks #346 Free Mini Hearing Clinic – Monday, October 26, 10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. at the Espanola Elks Lodge. 539 Second Ave.

North Shore Quilting & Stitchery Guild: Next meeting – Wednesday, October 28, 2026, 7:00 p.m. at the Espanola Royal Canadian Legion. New members welcome.

Webbwood Eagles #4269 Spaghetti Dinner - Saturday, November 7. Eat in or Takeout 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread & desert.

Massey Museum Craft Show – November 7, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Massey Arena. For Tables, call Denise 705-865-3399.

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Walford Christmas Vendors Market – Saturday, November 28, 10:0 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (Free Admission). Call /Text Julie 705-936-7597 for details

Massey Museum Bingos – 1st Monday of every month, at the Massey Arena. Starts 6:45 p.m. (doors open at 6:00 p.m.) Contact Denise 705-865-3399.

United Church of Espanola Soup and Sandwich Lunch - 3rd Tuesday of the month from September to May. 11:30 to 1:00 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Free Community luncheon - at the Light House 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month. 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. 84 Centre St. Everyone Welcome.

Massey Legion 432 - is collecting liquor bottles and cans for children's activities. Any local children's activities are welcome to apply for funding. Donations can be dropped off at the back of the legion at 320 Imperial St in Massey.

Massey Legion 432 weekly events - Tuesday evenings, Euchre 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Afternoon, Bid 500, 1:00 p.m., Northern Light Seniors. Lions club TV Bingo, Wednesdays (October -end of May). 6:30 p.m. Dart night, Thursdays 7:00 p.m. (starting again on Sept 24). Friday Roll Off with Poirier's Gift cards, Doors open at 6 pm, Wheel Rolls at 7:00 pm. Bar is open. Pool table available.

Calvary Baptist Church - 599 Barber St., invites you to come and worship with us, Sunday 10:30 am. All are welcome! Matthew 2:11. Care Closet, Donation drop-off hours Tuesday 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. & 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Wednesday 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., or by appointment.

St. George's Anglican Church - New to Espanola or looking for a new faith community? Please join us at 213 Tudhope Street for worship service every Sunday at 10:00 am.

Church Services – St. Francis of Assisi, Walford, Saturdays 4:00 p.m. St. Lawrence the Martyr, Webbwood, Sundays 9:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception Parish, Massey, Sundays 11:00 a.m. Everyone Welcome

North Shore Seventh-day-Adventist Church - invites you to join us on Saturdays (Sabbaths) 10:00 a.m. for Sabbath School, 11:00 a.m. Divine Service. 10 Menard Cres. Walford. For more info call 705-865-3013.

St. Andrew's Church Massey - Services at 10:30 every Sunday. All are welcome.

The Remnant Call Church – Service: Sunday 10:30 a.m., Espanola Elks Hall; All welcome. Non denominational.

Al-Anon - Not everyone Trapped by Alcohol is an Alcoholic. Family and Friends are suffering too. Meetings: Tuesdays at 7, St George's Anglican Church. 213 Tudhope St, Espanola.

Do you have a note for the community? We invite not-for-profit organizations to submit information on their upcoming events in writing no later than **Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m.** **25 word limit.**

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